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PATENT**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant:	Richard B. North; Jeffrey M. Sieracki	Confirmation No.	6322
Serial No.:	10/696,725		
Filed:	October 29, 2003	Customer No.:	28863
Examiner:	Michael William Kahelin		
Group Art Unit:	3762		
Docket No.:	1023-227US01		
Title:	<u>FAILSAFE PROGRAMMING OF IMPLANTABLE MEDICAL DEVICES</u>		

AMENDMENT

Mail Stop AF
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed July 13, 2007, the period of response for which runs through October 13, 2007, please amend the application as follows.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 10 of this paper.